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Docket No. 837,1960  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Shigeki WATANABE

Serial No. 09/774,686 ✓

Group Art Unit: 2633

Confirmation No. 3081

Filed: February 1, 2001 ✓

Examiner: Phan, Hanh

For: METHOD, DEVICE, AND SYSTEM FOR REGENERATING OPTICAL SIGNAL

AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

MAY 28 2004  
Technology Center 2600

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 25, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on May 25, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.



S&amp;H Form: (10/03)

<b>REPLY/AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL</b>	Attorney Docket No.	837.1960	
	Application Number	09/774,686	
	Filing Date	February 1, 2001	
	First Named Inventor	Shigeki WATANABE	
	Group Art Unit	2633	
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	0.00	Examiner Name	Phan, Hanh

<b>FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/03)</b>					
CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	32	- 32 =	0	X \$ 18.00 =	\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3	- 3 =	0	X \$ 86.00 =	0.00
Since an Official Action set an <u>original</u> due date of <u>May 25, 2004</u> , petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$420); 3 months (\$950); 4 months (\$1,480); 5					
If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$330.00)					
If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110.00)					
Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00)					
Total of above Calculations =					\$ 0.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)					
<b>TOTAL FEES DUE =</b>					\$ 0.00

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(2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20".

(4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0".

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<b>GENERAL AUTHORIZATION</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to: Deposit Account No. <b>19-3935</b> Deposit Account Name <b>STAAS &amp; HALSEY LLP</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application.

<b>SUBMITTED BY: STAAS &amp; HALSEY LLP</b>			
Typed Name	Gene M. Garner II	Reg. No.	34,172
Signature		Date	May 25, 2004